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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/007956	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE July 16, 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED July 16, 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION STACK OF SUPPORTS, IN PARTICULAR FOR CRYOPRESERVATION OF BIOLOGICAL SAMPLES		
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

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2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☐ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a. ☒ is attached hereto.
 - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 & 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
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20. ☒ Other items or information: Express mail transmittal sheet, cover sheet of international publication and return receipt post card

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21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee \$300				\$ 300	
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				\$ 900	
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.821(c) or (e) or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium) (37 CFR 1.492(j)). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
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Total claims	27 - 20 =	7	x \$50	\$ 350	
Independent	1 - 3 =	0	x \$200	\$	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			0	+ \$360	\$
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				\$ 625	
SUBTOTAL =				\$	
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TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$ 625	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				+	\$
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The following documents are submitted for the above-identified invention for entry into the U.S. National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371, based on the International Application No. PCT/EP2004/007956, which includes the following:

1. One (1) sheet of Transmittal Letter;
2. Calculation sheet, in duplicate;
3. Application Data Sheet;
4. Preliminary Amendment;
5. Cover sheet of International Publication No. WO 2005/007290;
6. English translation of application, including 14 sheets Description, 4 sheets Claims, and 1 sheet Abstract
7. Three (3) sheets formal Drawings; and
8. Return Receipt Post Card.

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